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Did You Know???

On his famous solo flight across the Atlantic, Charles Lindbergh wore a square and compasses on his jacket as a good luck piece. He was a Brother



February Masonic Profile

Brother Gerald Ford was initiated September 30, 1949, Malta Lodge No. 465, Grand Rapids, Michigan, along with his half-brothers Thomas Gardner Ford (1918-1995), Richard Addison Ford (1924-) and James Francis Ford (1927-). The Fellowcraft and Master Mason Degrees were Conferred by Columbia Lodge No. 3, Washington, D.C., on April 20 and May 18, 1951, as a courtesy to Malta Lodge. Brother and President Ford was unanimously elected an Active Member of the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay and its Honorary Grand Master, at its Annual Session held at Orlando, Florida, April 6-9, 1975.

If you would like to receive your Trestle Board electronically,

email Michael King at wmaster@OL310.org or Robert Bartruff at secretary@OL310.org.

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OCCOQUAN LODGE # 310

FEBRUARY 2008 TRESTLE BOARD

Date	Event	Speaker
February 11	Occoquan Stated Communication Masonic Home of Virginia	William Arthur Short, PDDGM District 1B Masonic Home Ambassador Dinner at 6:30pm
March 10	Occoquan Stated Communication District Deputy Grand Master Official Visit	Right Worshipful George Harry Wade District Deputy Grand Master, District 1B Dinner at 6:30pm
All Stated and Called Communications are open at 7:30pm		
William F. Haley, Jr. School of Ritual, every Thursday at 7pm (except 4th Thursday)		

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MASTERS MESSAGE: MICHAEL J. KING, WORSHIPFUL MASTER

Brethren-

I hope this message finds you well and eager to learn about and participate in our worthwhile endeavors.

Continuing last month's message of improved communications, I hope you find this new look for the Trestle Board appealing and informative. My sincere gratitude is extended to Brother Robert Boland for an excellent job in the redesign and production of the Trestle Board.

Our new Occoquan Lodge website is now up and running. If you have not yet visited the website, please do so at www.OL310.org. Here you will find more information about our Lodge, our extended Masonic family, and our activities. Thanks to Brother Vernon Roessler for your dedication and talent in design and production of the website.

In pursuit of my goal to support the continuing efforts of our Lodge Instructor of Work, Wor Roland Bailey, I have asked Wor Russell Thompson to provide training for our Catechism coaches. WB Thompson will work with the Brethren who donate their

valuable time and talent as Catechism coaches, to make sure their coaching is standardized. WB Thompson will work with our coaches individually and in groups at mutually convenient times. If you are a coach, or would like to be, I encourage you to contact WB Thompson. We need more coaches to share the workload.

I have appointed numerous committees to carryout our important Masonic work. You can see a listing of these committees and the details of their charges and activities on our website. I encourage you to visit that page and see what we are doing. I also solicit your participation. Please find a committee that interests you and contact the chair to contribute your talents and time. The more participation we have the better the work results.

Each gathering of our Lodge is punctuated with a meal, snack, or dessert. Our Stewards, Bros Ronald Phillips and Robert Boland have generously dedicated their efforts to make these refreshments a highlight of each event. They are planning menus and preparing meals. If you would like to pitch in a meal or a dish for an event, contact either of these Brothers.

It is often difficult for many of us to eat so late in the evening and so some miss out on this fellowship portion of our events. So, for the February Stated Communication, we dinner will be served at 6:30 pm (before opening the Lodge), saving dessert for after the meeting. I hope we may be able to enjoy fellowship over meals then conduct our business and get home with a lighter belly. If this works well and does not create a hardship for the Stewards, we will make this the normal agenda.

Finally, I want to mention the Stewards fund. This is the box on the serving table where you can make financial contributions. The proceeds, in past years, have been used for numerous and important purposes. This year, I wish to donate these proceeds later in the year to a worthy charity. One idea is to provide meals to our needy Brethren and widows during Thanksgiving. I solicit your ideas for the precise method and recipients. Please contribute as liberally as you can.

Fraternally,

Mike



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FROM THE DESK OF THE LODGE SECRETARY...

First and foremost, I want to thank you for electing me as your Secretary. I am new to this function, but I feel that I can handle this position with the assistance of the Officers and members of the Lodge.

I am in the process of generating a database to track all the members so that we can from time to time provide you with a directory of members of your Lodge. Now I know what most if not all of you are thinking and yes there may have been a listing previously, however it is either unavailable or has not been updated in recent times. Therefore, I request your assistance in providing me at the very minimum, the following information:

- FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME, LAST NAME, (also if you are Sr, Jr, III)
- COMPLETE STREET ADDRESS
- CITY, STATE, ZIPCODE
- HOME PHONE NUMBER, CELL PHONE NUMBER (if you have one) WORK PHONE NUMBER
- DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY)
- SPOUSE FIRST NAME (if married)
- EMAIL ADDRESS (if you have one)

From time to time I will ask for other data, but for now this will suffice.

All members were sent their 2008 dues cards. In the envelope you were asked to send your dues (**\$57.50 or the amount specified in the letter**) upon receipt. This was done on the Honor system as a Brother Mason. If you

have not already done so, please send your dues in as soon as possible. Your dues is a vital part of the Lodges' ability to operate and pay Grand Lodge 'per-capital' as well as other charitable request that may come about. Enough said.

The following is a list of return mail as undeliverable. If anyone can provide a current address, please do so:

BEALE, Christopher, 7525 138th PL SE, Newcastle, WA 98059-3090

HENNESSEE, Robert H., 1060 Grande View Blvd #617, Huntsville, AL 35824

MITCHEM II, Donald S., 9508 4th PL, Lorton, VA 22079

SHIRLEY II, Ronald L., 2368 Longview Dr, Woodbridge, VA 22191-2440

SHIRLEY III, Ronald L., 2368 Longview Dr, Woodbridge, VA 22191-2440

THEOBALD, John, Co B, 325th BSB, 3rd IBCT, APO AE 09338-0112

I am looking forward to meeting and greeting as many of the members as I can over the year and into the future.

Fraternally,

Robert J Bartruff, Sr., PM
Secretary

February Masonic Birthdays

Mark Shepherd	1948
Frederick Jenkins	1955
Robert Phillips	1962
Stephen Matteson	1970
Herbert McClain	1972
Richard Stevenson	1974
Charles Porch	1975
Joseph McCourt	1975
Dayne Carlson	1988
William Alexander	1995
Ronald Bailey	1995
Richard Cooper	1999
Henry Garvey Jr.	2000

Bethel #55 and Bethel #16
Grand Visitation

- **February 23, 2008: 7pm**
- **Springfield Lodge #217**
- **7001 Backlick Road Springfield, VA**
- **Members of Occoquan Lodge #310 are cordially invited**

COMMITTEES

Go to www.OL310.org for contact information

Masonic Home:

Bro Glen Keith
Bro Bradley Rees

L.I.W. and Asst:

WB Roland Bailey and
WB Russell Thompson

L.E.O.:

RW Carl Gagliardi

Blood Coordinator:

WB Larry Alexander

Funeral:

WB Larry Alexander

Temple and Grounds:

Bro Raymond Lambert
Bro James Scott, Sr

Trustees:

RW Leon Troyer
WB Robert Rife
WB Charles Bosworth

Lodge Scheduling:

Bro Timothy Eggers

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Occoquan Chapter	4th Fri, 8 pm
International Order of Eastern Star	
Bethel #55	1st & 3rd Tue 7:15 pm
International Order of Jobs Daughters	
Occoquan Chapter	1st & 3rd Wed, 7:30 pm
International Order of DeMolay	

Occoquan Lodge #310
Chartered February 10, 1910
Michael J. King, Worshipful Master

Senior Warden	Garon Eugene Young (703) 898-2631	Chaplain	Walter Roland Peterman, PM (703) 494-2556
Junior Warden	Thomas Joseph Mulvey (703) 657-0343	Senior Steward	Ronald Heinz Phillips (703) 447-5030
Treasurer	Thomas A. Reese, PDDGM (703) 590-1541	Junior Steward	Robert Thomas Boland (202) 631-2861
Secretary	Robert John Bartruff, PM (703)690-0784	Marshall	Charles Glenn Bosworth, PM (703) 494-9806
Senior Deacon	Daniel Todd Andrews (703) 922-8624	Tiler	Raymond Lee Lambert (703) 491-4471
Junior Deacon	Timothy Richard Eggers		

Living Past Masters

Mark M. Shepherd	1953	Jack N. Roach	1986
Lawrence E. Nail	1954	Kenneth Touloumes	1987
James G. Alls	1960	Jay R. Waldman	1988
Lovic McElroy	1962	Ralph L. Bennett	1989
Charles W. Dean	1966	Wayne K. Simpson	1990
Marvin L. Perry	1968	Walter R. Peterman	1991
Charles W. Fisher, Sr.	1969	Joel R. Johnston	1992
William R. Johnson	1973	Walter J. Schwenger	1996
Roland Bailey	1974	William E. Schwenger	1997
Buford T. Walters	1975	James R. Scott, Jr.	1998
Robert L. Hausafus	1976	William L. Alexander	1999-05
Robert L. Riffe	1977	Charles G. Bosworth	2000
John H. Oravec, Jr.	1978	Larry E. Buckner, Jr.	2001
Russell E. Thompson	1979	Charles L. Cooper	2003
Herbert A. McClain	1980	Joel D. Klimoski	2004
Edward L. Hensel, Jr.	1981	Henry Garvey, Jr.	2006
Leon S. Troyer	1982		
Robert L. Phillips	1983		
Thomas A. Reese	1984-95		

Honorary, Fifty Year and Life Mem-**Honorary Members**

Roland Bailey	Charles Bosworth
Leonard J. Fischer	Edward L. Hensel, Jr.
Joel R. Johnston	Harold H. Mattice
Lawrence E. Nail	Frellsen Reese
Marvin L. Perry	Robert L. Riffe
Thomas A. Reese	Milton L. Sholley
Mark M. Shepherd	Leon S. Troyer
Russell E. Thompson	Norman W. King
Buford T. Walters	

Fifty Year Members

Wilbert L. Fronk	Leonard J. Fischer
Charles Holbrook	Alexander Krasich
Lawrence E. Nail	Harold H. Mattice
Frellsen Reese	Paul S. Jacobson
Mark M. Shepherd	James Robert Scott
Emery B. Trott	Milton L. Sholley
Louis Lang	Zachary Ruiz
Norman W. King	Federick D. Jenkins

Life Members

William L. Alexander	Roland Bailey
Nathan D. Bozarth	Larry E. Buckner
Larry E. Buckner, Jr.	John M. Carria, Jr.
Phillip C. Clarke, Jr.	Phillip C. Clarke, Sr.
Dale R. Cyr	Lloyd E. Davis
Richard E. Dudley	Joseph M. Dunivan
Donald L. Dyer, Jr.	John S. Giltner
Charles A. Harrover	Joel R. Johnston
Kyle Keen	Herbert A. McClain
Walter J. Schwenger	William E. Schwenger
James R. Scott	Thomas M. Sessions
Thomas P. Winn	Donald L. Epperson
Lawrence E. Nail	Robert V. Reese
Russell E. Thompson	Daniel T. Andrews
Leonard D. Jackson	